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"Ouide to the Preparation and Processin Standard Form 52, Request for Personnel Action*

1. Recently, in making inquiry for Colonel White regarding certain appects of the leave picture, I came scross what appears to me to be a discrepancy between statements made in each of the two references above. I call it to your attention merely to inquire if it may not be appropriate to make a full-ecale comparison between the two documents, since they are now separated in point of time by almost a year, during which time other changes have undoubtedly occurred.

2. The contradiction seems to me to be as follows: In section 10.d under "IMOP - Preparation of Request," it is of Regulation stated:

> "Standard Form 52 . . will be prepared . . . in accordance with Handbook No. to report approval of leave without pay for periods over 30 calendar days to 12 months . . . "

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under "INOP - Properation of the SF-52," In section II.B of it reads:

> "The SF-52 must be prepared . . . upon approval of Leave Without Pay for more than 5 days . . . "

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3. Before calling this to your attention, I checked the frontispiece had been reacteded by of Regulation and it had not. While I realise in cases of this sort that the later issuence probably prevails, because the Handbook is more often used as a ready referonce item them as a Regulation, I feel that it should be as current as poscible, last incorrect action stem from an outdated instruction.

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